

Twenty-Second Annual Report

April 1, 1984 to March 31, 1985

Alberta



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The Honourable G. Amerongen
Office of the Speaker
Legislative Assembly of Alberta

Sir:

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report of the
Alberta Racing Commission for the year ending March 31, 198⁵.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ian C. Reid".

Ian C. Reid
Solicitor General



ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION

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the Chairman

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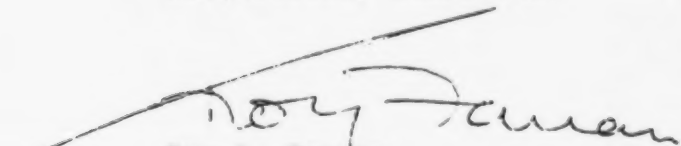
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The Honourable Dr. Ian C. Reid
Solicitor General

Dear Sir:

I take pleasure in submitting the Commission's
Annual Report for the year 1984 - 1985.

Respectfully submitted,



Roy A. Farran,
Chairman

MEMBERS
OF THE
ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
At the year ended March 31, 1985

Roy A. Farran	Chairman	Calgary
Irven W. Parsons	Commissioner	Calgary
Kenneth C. Amthor	Commissioner	Crossfield
W. Gordon Pritchett	Commissioner	Edmonton
James C. LeLacheur	Commissioner	Edmonton
Jack Sheckter	Commissioner	Edmonton
Donald J. Buchanan	Commissioner	Edmonton

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OF
THE ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
APRIL 1ST, 1984 - MARCH 31ST, 1985

Like other jurisdictions in Canada, our horseracing industry continued to experience declines in volume during 1984, for the second year in succession since the record 1982.

The total parimutuel bet in Alberta was \$191,130,678. for the year ending March 31, 1985 compared with \$217,151,398. in 1983-84. This level was comparative to the pre-boom year of 1980. Of this total handle, \$93,787,535. was generated by thoroughbreds at Class 'A' tracks in 152 racedays; \$93,638,595. by standardbreds during 214 days of harness racing; \$2,681,049. for racing at Lethbridge over 44 days; and \$1,023,499. for racing at various minor meets across the province.

It should be noted that thoroughbreds at Class 'A' tracks raced six fewer days and standardbred nine fewer days which partly accounted for the drop of some nine percent in handle.

Lethbridge Whoop-Up Downs again defied the trend with its total handle of \$2,681,049. for 44 days as compared with \$1,694,811. for 27 days in 1983. Harness racing was reintroduced into Lethbridge.

The province again rebated to the Alberta Racing Commission two percent of the wager from the parimutuel tax of five percent of the wager. Another two-and-a-quarter percent was rebated directly to exhibitions and fairs through the Department of Agriculture. The balance of three-quarters of one percent went to provincial general revenue.

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The Alberta Racing Commission rebate was disbursed on overhead, purse supplements, breeder grants, and wages of officials etc.

A new pattern for racing seasons was introduced for 1984. Spring training for thoroughbreds, long a bone of contention, was shared between Calgary Stampede Park and Edmonton Northlands.

The thoroughbred season began in April at Calgary and moved to Edmonton for the last week in May, returning south for a final fall meet in Calgary from mid-September to mid-November.

Harness racing was conducted at Edmonton Northlands from March 9 to May 21 and from September 13 to November 18. At Calgary Stampede Park, there was a successful late winter harness meet during January and February followed by a long summer meet from May 25 to September 9 and a concluding winter meet from November 23 to the end of the calendar year.

A total of 6,205 occupational licences were issued in 1984 to people engaged in the racing industry. This significant work force does not, of course, include thousands of others employed off-track in racing related jobs such as feed supply, breeding farms, veterinary services, transportation, printing programs and supply of horse equipment.

Of the urine tests ordered by the stewards and judges which averaged two samples per race, only six proved positive for illegal drugs. When one considers that 8,983 horses were tested by urine and another 197 by blood, this indicates that the situation in regard to prohibited drugs is reasonably satisfactory in Alberta. Such drugs as were identified were administered as medicament and still present in the horse's metabolism at time of racing through carelessness or error and were not deliberately administered to change the performance of the horse. Disciplinary action was taken in every case.

Sixteen appeals were heard from rulings by either the Board of Harness Judges or the Board of Stewards and there were eight other general hearings into such matters as racing dates, purse supports and racing issues. The Commission met monthly on a formal basis although many telephone polls were conducted on urgent day-to-day issues. Representatives attended industry conferences in Halifax, Denver and Miami.

Important directives were issued as follows:

- (a) clarifying those who must hold a license in the case of corporations or syndicates who own racehorses
- (b) amending rules in regard to the eligibility to race of horses shipped-in to a racetrack from elsewhere
- (c) providing for drawing of blood for a "Coggins" test before the fly season and for a negative "Coggins" certificate after April 30
- (d) the releasing of "also eligible" horses if not moved into a race by 10:00 a.m. on the day of racing.

For a short while, horses which had been admitted to Exhibition Park, Regina, were barred from racetracks in Alberta due to an outbreak of equine pneumonia.

The following infractions, the majority of which were for minor breaches of racing rules, occurred between April 1, 1984 and March 1985.

THOROUGHBRED:

Jockeys, for riding infractions	34
Jockeys, for actions other than riding infractions	23
Jockeys & Trainers, for unwarranted claim of foul	7
Licenses restored	1
Trainers, for entering an ineligible horse	13
Trainers, for medications requiring late scratch	5
Disciplinary fines for persons other than jockeys	38
Disciplinary suspensions for persons other than jockeys	4
Positive tests	2
Licenses denied or cancelled	8
Horses barred from competition	2

STANDARD BRED:

Failure to set a proper pace comparable to class of race	54
Poor driving, impeding or interfering with the progress of other horses or drivers in a race	63
Failing to come into position or backing off gate	67
Being on track at restricted hours	1
Failure to report interference	7
Mistreatment of horses	61
Late scratches	2
Late to paddock or post parade	23
Taking back from position	12
Positive tests	4
Failing breathalyzer test	17
Disciplinary fines - miscellaneous	104

The top ten money earners among Alberta-bred thoroughbreds during 1984 were as follows:

Rapido Dom	\$ 128,522.00
Fustukian	97,428.00
Special Intent	95,986.00
Chilcoton Blaze	65,655.00
Maxi Spirit	63,235.00
Awatea	60,150.00
Bow Dancer	46,849.00
Vagars	40,009.00
Cool Charlie	37,552.00
Gallant Milin	34,258.00

FUSTUKIAN was the outstanding 2 year-old among local thoroughbreds. An Ontario 3 year-old called LET'S GO BLUE won the Canadian Derby at Northlands Park while TEN GOLD POTS took the Alberta Derby at Stampede Park.

MAXI SPIRIT was "Sprinter of the Year" and was awarded the Alberta Racing Commission trophy.

The top 10 thoroughbred breeders in Alberta were as follows:

Petryk, R. & D.	\$ 179,664.00
Elmbrook Stables & Partners	166,583.00
Zurowski, L.	131,547.00
Smith, R. K.	102,507.00
J.C. Stables & Partners	98,131.00
Clemens, E. W.	93,554.00
Going, G. E.	92,781.00
Gilkyson, D.	77,597.00
Lawson, R. B.	74,308.00
Wolf Willow Farms	64,627.50

Among standardbreds TOMPKINS HANOVER was the horse-of-the-year while T. G. BREEZE was the outstanding Alberta-bred. Mr. Rod Campbell was horseman of the year.

The mare of the year was CAMMIE HANOVER but no mention of horseracing in Alberta in 1984 can omit the phenomenal success of the Alberta-owned 3 year-old "ON THE ROAD AGAIN" which earned record purses and an international reputation for Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Rumpel, his owners.

The quality of harness racing in Alberta was testified to by the large number of miles raced in less than two minutes.

The following were the top 10 money earners among standardbreds at Alberta tracks during 1984:

Tompkins Hanover	\$ 114,315.00
Mannart Tornado	87,018.00
*Vargus Girl 3 y.o. Filly	71,729.00
*T.G. Breeze 2 y.o. Filly	70,746.00
*Son of Nick 3 y.o. Colt	69,501.00
Timbrook Direct	58,280.00
Jonquil Bye Bye	51,161.00
*Pro Nuff 3 y.o. Colt	50,618.00
Cammie Hanover	49,895.00
Rompin Boke	45,465.00

All above are horses that made the majority of their starts in Alberta.

*Denotes horses that made majority of money in Alberta Sires Stakes.

Enormous publicity for the harness industry in Alberta was generated by the prestigious Breeders' Crown, part of the North American classic series. A field of eleven of the best three year-olds in the world competed for a record \$ 670,000. purse. The race was televised all over North America, drawing top sportswriters and tourists to Edmonton Northlands. The race was won by Troublemaker followed by Guts, Armbro Cadet and On The Road Again in that order.

The Commission recognised that there has been growing competition for the wagering dollar from casinos, lotteries and bingos. Our racetracks must promote vigorously to maintain their market share which is so important to the horse industry, an adjunct to agriculture in the province. It will continue to urge the exhibitions and fairs to recognise the vital importance of racing to their year-round operations.

The Commission regretfully reports the loss of Victor Abercrombie, a commissioner and long-time racing devotee, to a sudden heart attack. He will be sorely missed. Two new commissioners were appointed for five year terms: Mr. Jack Sheckter effective December 1, 1984 and Mr. Donald Buchanan effective January 1, 1985, both are well known horsemen from the Edmonton area and welcome additions to the Alberta Racing Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated at the City of Calgary

September 4, 1985

Roy A. Jaram
Chairman

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Commissioner

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SCHEDULE "A"

PARI MUTUEL STATISTICS

THOROUGHBRED RACING 1983 - 1984

	Racing Days		No. of Races		Attendance		Net Gate Receipts	
	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983
CALGARY	72	73	744	734	249,708	290,211	\$ 346,865.	\$ 425,115.
EDMONTON	80	85	800	849	415,798	474,576	331,044.	430,352.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>38</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>222</u>	<u>55,430</u>	<u>37,881</u>	<u>16,106.</u>	<u>12,140.</u>
	190	185	1887	1805	720,936	802,668	\$ 694,015.	\$ 867,607.

	Amount Wagered		Pari Mutuel Percentages & Breaks	
	1984	1983	1984	1983
CALGARY	\$ 36,578,111.	\$ 44,572,610.	\$ 4,017,790.	\$ 4,795,393.
EDMONTON	57,209,424.	66,165,942.	6,047,763.	6,969,627.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>2,433,690.</u>	<u>1,694,811.</u>	<u>376,465.</u>	<u>262,693.</u>
	\$ <u>96,221,225.</u>	\$ <u>112,433,363</u>	\$ <u>10,442,018.</u>	\$ <u>12,027,713.</u>

	Alberta Government Tax		Gross Prize Money	
	1984	1983	1984	1983
CALGARY	\$ 1,828,906.	\$ 2,228,630.	\$ 3,081,424.	\$ 3,365,420.
EDMONTON	2,860,471.	3,308,297.	3,632,536.	4,299,521.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>121,685.</u>	<u>84,741.</u>	<u>284,956.</u>	<u>173,591.</u>
	\$ <u>4,811,062.</u>	\$ <u>5,621,668.</u>	\$ <u>6,998,916.</u>	\$ <u>7,838,532.</u>

SCHEDULE "B"

PARI MUTUEL STATISTICSHARNESS RACING 1983 - 1984

	<u>Racing Days</u>		<u>No. of Races</u>		<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Net Gate Receipts</u>	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
CALGARY	119	130	1191	1300	314,925	369,067	\$ 500,807.	623,700.
EDMONTON	95	93	950	930	320,790	297,679	295,153.	289,248.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,114</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>220</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>2194</u>	<u>2230</u>	<u>643,829</u>	<u>666,746</u>	<u>\$ 795,960.</u>	<u>\$ 912,948.</u>

	<u>Amount Wagered</u>		<u>Pari Mutuel Percentages & Breaks</u>	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
CALGARY	\$ 46,352,881.	\$ 58,295,654.	\$ 5,187,633.	\$ 6,212,560.
EDMONTON	47,285,714.	45,414,512.	5,040,806.	4,841,201.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>247,359.</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,201.</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 93,885,954.</u>	<u>\$ 103,710,166.</u>	<u>\$ 10,266,640.</u>	<u>\$ 11,053,761.</u>

	<u>Alberta Government Tax</u>		<u>Gross Prize Money</u>	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
CALGARY	\$ 2,317,644.	\$ 2,914,783.	\$ 3,722,387.	\$ 4,206,768.
EDMONTON	2,364,286.	2,270,725.	4,200,006.	3,205,179.
LETHBRIDGE	<u>12,368.</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,322.</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 4,694,298.</u>	<u>\$ 5,185,508.</u>	<u>\$ 7,967,715.</u>	<u>\$ 7,411,947.</u>

SCHEDULE "C"

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PARI MUTUEL STATISTICSCOMMUNITY RACING 1983 - 1984

	Racing Days		No. of Races		Attendance		Net Gate Receipts	
	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983	1984	1983
COCHRANE	-	9	-	72	-	3,043	\$ -	\$ 3,043.
ENOCH	8	8	79	74	1,976	1,501	3,952.	2,916.
GRANDE PRAIRIE	15	10	133	83	6,963	3,900	5,912.	7,362.
HIGH RIVER	3	3	28	23	527	7,300	1,054.	7,300.
HOBBEEMA	6	5	48	39	2,100	1,034	-	1,381.
MEDICINE HAT	4	4	32	33	2,251	2,766	4,502.	4,032.
MILLARVILLE	2	2	19	18	3,319	3,601	9,957.	10,803.
MILO	-	2	-	17	-	2,952	-	8,856.
TEEPEE CREEK	3	3	23	24	800	1,343	-	9,401.
TROCHU	1	2	9	15	1,600	1,352	3,196.	6,760.
TROUT SPRINGS	3	-	26	-	1,455	-	2,784.	-
	<u>45</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>20,991</u>	<u>28,792</u>	<u>\$ 31,357.</u>	<u>\$ 61,854.</u>

	Amount Wagered		Pari Mutuel Percentages & Breaks	
	1984	1983	1984	1983
COCHRANE	\$ -	\$ 196,986.	\$ -	\$ 30,938.
ENOCH	210,206.	182,469.	32,991.	28,870.
GRANDE PRAIRIE	363,909.	195,151.	55,177.	29,754.
HIGH RIVER	31,848.	51,728.	4,762.	7,768.
HOBBEEMA	81,431.	50,991.	12,754.	7,947.
MEDICINE HAT	103,696.	123,212.	16,076.	19,236.
MILLARVILLE	89,913.	99,556.	14,023.	14,696.
MILO	-	43,508.	-	6,765.
TEEPEE CREEK	31,382.	33,796.	4,576.	4,895.
TROCHU	13,680.	30,472.	2,132.	4,767.
TROUT SPRINGS	97,434.	-	15,052.	-
	<u>\$ 1,023,499.</u>	<u>\$ 1,007,869.</u>	<u>\$ 157,543.</u>	<u>\$ 155,636.</u>

PARI MUTUEL STATISTICSCOMMUNITY RACING 1983 - 1984

	<u>Alberta Government Tax</u>		<u>Gross Prize Money</u>	
	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
COCHRANE	\$ -	\$ 9,849.	\$ -	\$ 71,044.
ENOCH	10,510.	9,123.	85,385.	95,954.
GRANDE PRAIRIE	18,195.	9,757.	119,865.	77,560.
HIGH RIVER	1,592.	2,586.	15,270.	13,090.
HOBBEWA	4,072.	2,550.	76,908.	35,645.
MEDICINE HAT	5,185.	6,161.	55,606.	57,005.
MILLARVILLE	4,496.	4,978.	11,725.	12,740.
MILO	-	2,175.	-	9,200.
TEEPEE CREEK	1,569.	1,690.	13,015.	13,910.
TROCHU	684.	1,524.	5,480.	8,160.
TROUT SPRINGS	4,872.	-	45,531.	-
	\$ <u>51,175.</u>	\$ <u>50,393.</u>	\$ <u>428,785.</u>	\$ <u>394,308.</u>

SCHEDULE "D"

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSIONPARI MUTUEL TAX REFUND 1984

	<u>No. of Races</u>	<u>Pari Mutuel Total</u>	<u>Average Wagering Per Race</u>	<u>Tax Paid</u>	<u>Development Grant</u>
ENOCH	79	\$ 210,206.	\$ 2,661.	\$ 10,510.	\$ 17,549.
GRANDE PRAIRIE	133	363,909.	2,736.	18,195.	30,382.
HIGH RIVER	28	31,848.	1,137.	1,592.	2,659.
HOBBEMA	48	81,431.	1,696.	4,072.	6,798.
MEDICINE HAT	32	103,696.	3,240.	5,185.	8,657.
MILLARVILLE	19	89,913.	4,732.	4,496.	7,506.
TEEPEE CREEK	23	31,382.	1,364.	1,569.	2,620.
TROCHU	9	13,680.	1,520.	684.	1,142.
TROUT SPRINGS	<u>26</u>	<u>97,434.</u>	<u>3,747.</u>	<u>4,872.</u>	<u>8,134.</u>
	<u>397</u>	<u>\$ 1,023,499.</u>	<u>\$ 2,578.</u>	<u>\$ 51,175.</u>	<u>\$ 85,447.</u>
 LETHBRIDGE	 <u>44</u>	 <u>\$ 2,681,056.</u>	 <u>\$ 6,770.</u>	 <u>\$134,053.</u>	 <u>\$ 56,904.</u>

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1985

EXPENDITUREFor backstretch improvements (racing plants)

Calgary Exhibition & Stampede	\$	25,000.
Edmonton Northlands		25,000.

For industry promotion

Edmonton Northlands	10,000.
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For equine research

Western College of Veterinary Medicine	30,000.
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For Tatting

Thoroughbred	\$ 11,060.	
Harness	<u>5,460.</u>	16,520.

For Community support

Operating grant		
Canada West Turf Association	58,300.	
Lethbridge & District Exhibition	56,904.	
Communities	85,447.	
Purse supplements		
Lethbridge & District Exhibition	56,010.	
Communities	<u>57,960.</u>	314,621.

For development of THOROUGHBRED industryStakes Race Purses

Beaufort	\$ 12,000.	
Parkdale	4,500.	
Breeders	4,500.	
Alberta Oaks	4,500.	
Sturgeon River	<u>9,000.</u>	34,500.

Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association	35,004.
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Alberta Division - Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society	52,506.
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Breeders of Alberta-breds	338,645.
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Owners of Alberta-breds	446,395.
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General Purse Support	<u>833,156.</u>	\$ 1,740,206.
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The above mentioned categories pertain
to horses racing at "A" circuit tracks

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1985

For development of STANDARDBRED industry

Stakes Race Purses

Harvest Gold	\$ 63,500.	
Virginia Park	36,400.	
Yellowhead	36,400.	
Petticoat Pace	63,500.	
Black Gold	110,000.	
Gold Pan	110,000.	
Pot of Gold	22,000.	
Heritage	22,000.	
Alberta Rose	36,400.	
Calgary Lady	22,000.	
Lieutenant Governor	36,400.	
Lassie	<u>22,000.</u>	\$ 580,600.

Alberta Standardbred Horse Association	68,000.	
Lethbridge re Stakes	20,000.	
Breeders of Alberta-bred money earners in the above specified Stakes Races	68,000.	
Preferred Races - Fillies and Mares	120,000.	
Preferred Races - Alberta-bred conditioned	120,000.	
General Purse Support	<u>587,823.</u>	\$ 1,564,423.

The above mentioned categories pertain
to horses racing at "A" circuit tracks.

\$ 3,725,770.

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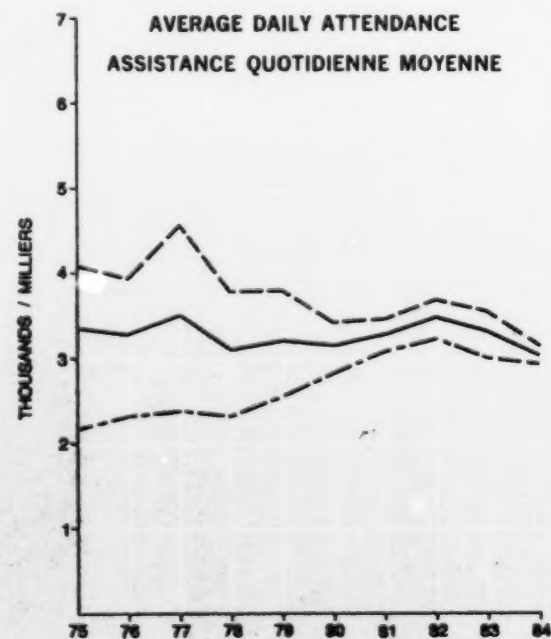
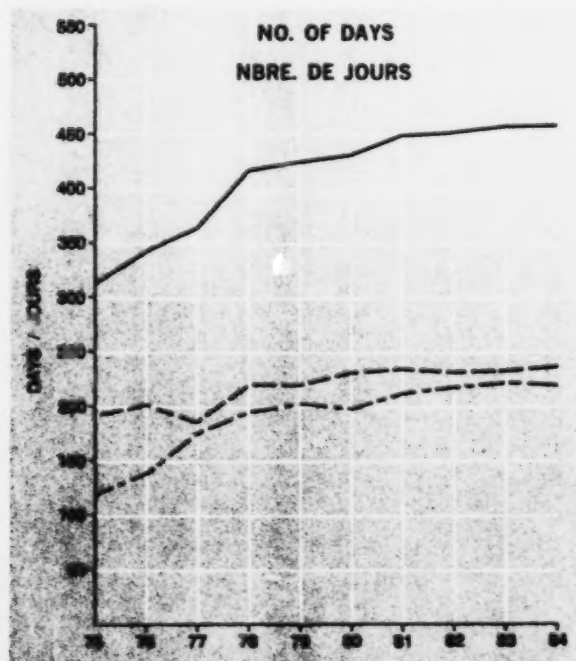
Cities/ Villes		No. of days/ Nbre de jours	No. of races/ Nbre de courses	Amount wagered-\$/ Montant parié-\$	Race average-\$/ Moyenne par course-\$	+ - %
Calgary	H	119	1 191	46 352 883.00	38 919.30	- 13.21
Calgary	R	73	744	36 578 111.00	49 164.13	- 19.04
Calgary	T	192	1 935	82 930 994.00	42 858.39	- 15.26
Edmonton	H	95	950	47 285 714.00	49 774.44	+ 1.93
Edmonton	R	80	800	57 209 424.00	71 511.78	- 8.12
Edmonton	T	175	1 750	104 495 138.00	59 711.51	- 4.73
Grande Prairie	R	15	133	363 909.00	2 736.16	+ 16.37
High River	R	3	28	31 848.00	1 137.43	- 47.23
Hobbema	R	6	48	81 431.00	1 696.48	+ 29.75
Lethbridge	H	6	53	247 359.00	4 667.15	+ 0.00
Lethbridge	R	38	343	2 433 697.00	7 095.33	- 8.32
Lethbridge	T	44	396	2 681 056.00	6 770.34	- 12.52
Medicine Hat	R	4	32	103 696.00	3 240.50	- 13.21
Millarville	R	2	19	89 913.00	4 732.26	- 14.44
Teepee Creek	R	3	23	31 382.00	1 364.43	- 3.11
Trochu	R	1	9	13 680.00	1 520.00	- 25.18
Trout Springs	R	3	26	97 434.00	3 747.46	+ 0.00
Winterburn	R	8	79	210 206.00	2 660.84	+ 7.91
	H	220	2 194	93 885 956.00	42 792.14	- 7.99
TOTALS/ TOTAUX	R	236	2 284	97 244 731.00	42 576.50	- 17.33
	T	456	4 478	191 130 687.00	42 682.15	- 12.87

H - harness races/courses sous-harnais

R - runner races/courses au galop

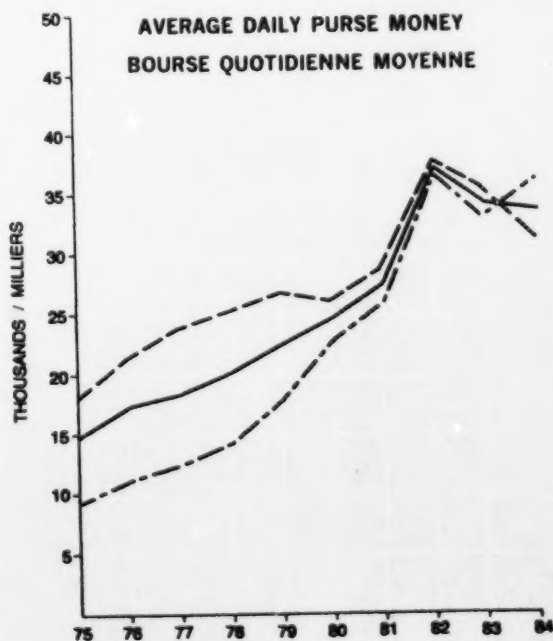
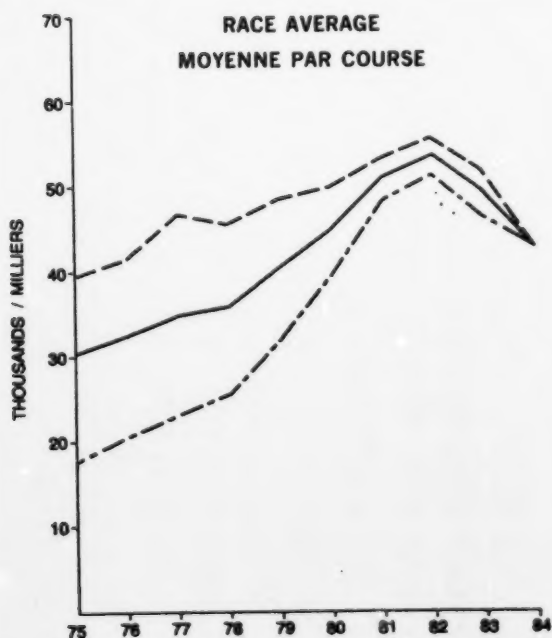
T - total of harness and runner races/total des courses sous harnais et au galop

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HARNESS - - - - - HARNAIS
 RUNNERS - GALOP
 TOTAL - - - - - TOTAUX

Track commission plus breaks-\$/ Commission des hippodromes et appoints-\$	Provincial tax-\$/ Taxe provinciale-\$	Gross prize money-\$/ Montant brut des bourses-\$	Net gate receipts-\$/ Recettes nettes à l'admission-\$	Attendance/ Assistance	+ - %
5 187 633.22	2 317 644.15	3 722 387.40	500 807.30	314 925	- 14.58
4 017 789.54	1 828 905.55	3 081 424.00	346 865.42	249 708	- 13.96
9 205 422.76	4 146 549.70	6 803 811.40	847 672.72	564 633	- 14.31
5 040 805.59	2 364 285.70	4 200 005.64	295 153.00	320 790	+ 7.58
6 047 763.27	2 860 471.20	3 632 536.00	331 044.00	415 798	- 12.39
11 088 568.86	5 224 756.90	7 832 541.64	626 197.00	736 588	- 4.68
55 176.62	18 195.45	119 865.00	5 912.00	6 963	+ 78.54
4 762.26	1 592.40	15 270.00	1 054.00	527	- 92.78
12 754.08	4 071.55	76 907.82	0.00	2 100	+ 103.09
38 201.54	12 367.95	45 322.00	0.00	8 114	+ 0.00
376 464.77	121 684.85	284 955.85	16 105.90	55 430	+ 44.89
414 666.31	134 052.80	330 277.85	16 105.90	63 544	+ 66.10
16 076.27	5 184.80	55 605.92	4 502.00	2 251	- 18.62
14 023.35	4 495.65	11 725.00	9 957.00	3 319	- 7.83
4 575.72	1 569.10	13 015.00	0.00	800	- 40.43
2 131.86	684.00	5 480.00	3 196.00	1 600	+ 18.34
15 052.16	4 871.70	45 530.82	2 784.00	1 455	+ 0.00
32 990.84	10 510.30	85 385.00	3 952.00	1 976	+ 31.65
10 266 640.35	4 694 297.80	7 967 715.04	795 960.30	643 829	- 3.45
10 599 560.74	4 862 236.55	7 427 700.41	725 372.32	741 927	- 10.81
20 866 201.09	9 556 534.35	15 395 415.45	1 521 332.62	1 385 756	- 7.54



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ALBERTA LEGISLATURE

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the
Alberta Racing Commission

I have examined the balance sheet of the Alberta Racing Commission as at March 31, 1985 and the statements of revenue surplus, revenue and expenditure - operations and revenue and expenditure - development for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Commission as at March 31, 1985 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with the disclosed basis of accounting, considered appropriate in the circumstances, as described in Note 2 to the financial statements applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. W. Roy".

F.C.A.
Auditor General

Edmonton, Alberta
July 26, 1985

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT MARCH 31, 1985

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current:		
Cash (Note 3)	\$683,864	\$627,155
Accounts receivable	1,484	1,177
Prepaid expenses	<u>17,856</u>	<u>12,442</u>
	703,204	640,774
Fixed:		
Equipment, at cost	<u>59,201</u>	<u>52,073</u>
	<u>\$762,405</u>	<u>\$692,847</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</u>		
Current:		
Accounts payable (Note 4)	\$135,857	\$159,283
Improvement grant payable	23,749	21,329
Deferred revenue	<u>10,730</u>	<u>23,830</u>
	<u>170,336</u>	<u>204,442</u>
Other:		
Contributions refundable to the Province of Alberta (Note 4)	239,073	-
Standard-bred Sires Stakes Registration	<u>27,096</u>	<u>25,941</u>
	<u>266,169</u>	<u>25,941</u>
Equity:		
Reserves (Note 5)	230,975	245,000
Capital surplus arising from purchase of fixed assets	59,201	52,073
Revenue surplus	<u>35,724</u>	<u>165,391</u>
	<u>325,900</u>	<u>462,464</u>
	<u>\$762,405</u>	<u>\$692,847</u>

The accompanying notes are part
of these financial statements.

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF REVENUE SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1985

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
Revenue surplus at beginning of year	\$165,391	\$ 31,477
Add: Excess of revenue over expenditure for the year - development	71,970	133,914
Transfer from equine hospital equipment reserve (Note 5)	<u>14,025</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>251,386</u>	<u>165,391</u>
Deduct: Adjustment to prior years' contributions by the Province of Alberta (Note 4)	201,637	-
Contribution to Edmonton Northlands for x-ray equipment - funded by equipment reserve	<u>14,025</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>215,662</u>	<u>-</u>
Revenue surplus at end of year	<u><u>\$ 35,724</u></u>	<u><u>\$165,391</u></u>

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE - OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1985

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
Revenue:		
Contribution by the Province of Alberta (Note 4)	\$555,288	\$ 690,485
Interest	218,820	188,011
Assessments, licenses and fines	208,833	198,742
Miscellaneous	<u>3,689</u>	<u>1,254</u>
	<u>986,630</u>	<u>1,078,492</u>
Expenditure:		
Administrative salaries	270,141	260,107
Veterinarians' fees	178,158	185,450
Stewards' fees	115,016	104,256
Commissioners' honoraria	112,869	110,083
Judges' fees	103,138	130,697
Travelling	87,575	90,119
Employee benefits	43,441	43,811
Office	22,829	22,578
Licensee identification equipment and supplies	11,043	19,475
Industry promotion	10,000	-
Hearings and appeals	7,441	45,139
Horse of the year trophies	3,500	11,000
Security services, equipment and supplies	3,329	18,524
Legal fees	2,071	6,139
Tattooing	-	16,205
Miscellaneous	<u>16,079</u>	<u>14,909</u>
	<u>986,630</u>	<u>1,078,492</u>
Excess of revenue over expenditure	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE - DEVELOPMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1985

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1985</u>
Revenue:		
Contribution by the Province of Alberta (Note 4)	\$3,787,740	\$4,109,515
Expenditure:		
Purse supplements	2,214,549	2,345,220
Breeders' premium	1,048,540	1,160,991
Grants to operators and associations	406,161	439,390
Equine research	30,000	30,000
Tattooing	16,520	-
	<u>3,715,770</u>	<u>3,975,601</u>
Excess of revenue over expenditure	<u>\$ 71,970</u>	<u>\$ 133,914</u>

ALBERTA RACING COMMISSION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 1985

Note 1 Authority

The Alberta Racing Commission operates under the authority of the Racing Commission Act, Chapter R-1, Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980.

Note 2 Significant Accounting Policies and Reporting Practices

General

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles except that no depreciation has been provided on fixed assets as purchases are charged to operations in the year of acquisition. Fixed assets are shown on the balance sheet at original cost with the offsetting credit to capital surplus.

Contributions by the Province of Alberta

The Commission receives contributions from the Province of Alberta which consist of 40% of the Alberta pari-mutuel tax for the previous year. These amounts are allocated to operations and development according to the Commission's guidelines.

Administration Expenses

Operations expenditure does not include the cost of certain office accommodation and office furniture which are provided at no cost by the Province of Alberta, and accordingly are not reflected in these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Financial Position

A statement of changes in financial position is not provided as disclosure in these financial statements is considered to be adequate.

Note 3 Cash

Cash includes deposits in the Consolidated Cash Investment Trust Fund of the Province of Alberta as follows:

	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
Deposit Account - Operations	\$483,664	\$426,955
Deposit Account - Revenue Stabilization	200,000	200,000

Note 4 Adjustment to Contributions by the Province of Alberta

For a number of years contributions by the Province of Alberta have been based on estimated total wagering in the Province but were adjusted to actual during 1984-85. This adjustment resulted in \$358,609 being repayable to the Province in three annual installments commencing in 1985-86. The first installment, in the amount of \$119,536, is included in accounts payable and the remaining \$239,073 is shown as a separate liability on the balance sheet.

The adjustment relates to contributions received during the following fiscal years:

1977-78 to 1983-84	\$201,637
1984-85	<u>156,972</u>
	<u>\$358,609</u>

The portion relating to previous fiscal years is shown as an adjustment on the statement of revenue surplus. The portion relating to 1984-85 has been deducted from actual contributions received during the current year and the net result is shown on the statements of revenue and expenditure.

Note 5 Reserves

The balances and transfer pertaining to reserves appropriated from revenue surplus by resolutions of the Members of the Commission are summarized as follows:

	Balance March 31, 1984	Transfer to Revenue Surplus	Balance March 31, 1985
Revenue Stabilization	\$200,000	\$ -	\$200,000
Equine Hospital Equipment	<u>45,000</u>	<u>14,025</u>	<u>30,975</u>
	<u>\$245,000</u>	<u>\$14,025</u>	<u>\$230,975</u>

Note 6 Comparative Figures

The 1984 comparative figures have been restated where necessary to conform to 1985 presentation.

Note 7 Approval of Financial Statements

These financial statements were approved by management.